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Dear Sir:

Applicant hereby requests a two-month extension of time in which to respond to the Final Office Action mailed November 17, 2003 and the Advisory Action mailed April 22, 2004 to thereby extend the period for response from February 17, 2004 to May 17, 2004.

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